

## GOVERNOR'S COORDINATING OFFICES

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## **Justice Reinvestment Local Commission**

9:30 AM, February 22, 2021

## **Minutes**

- Chairman Pack called us to order at 9:34 A.M.
- Minutes approved
- DPSCS Update Donna Rojas
  - Continuing to work on MOUs, 9 are signed. After pandemic eases, we expect this work to pick up and will work on additional outreach
  - We will follow up at future meetings with additional Covid-19 and legislative updates
- Legislative updates
  - Bill to release inmates to local detention centers within 5 days of release to get connected to community resources. Working to increase the per diem rate
  - HB 851 addresses restrictive housing and HB 131/SB 898 which removes all fees for work release will be opposed by the MCAA
- HB116 & CIT
  - Discussion of Friday's presentation through the HB116 learning collaborative

- Event involved sharing with four jurisdictions implementing and also included experts from the NGA who just released a roadmap from corrections
  - https://www.nga.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/NGA-Roadmap-on-MO
     UD-for-People-in-the-Justice-System layout final.pdf
- By 2023 all local detention centers must offer all three types of MAT. Bill includes screening, peer support and other requirements
  - Bill listed four immediate implementation counties. Now in phase 2, requiring 6 more jurisdictions implementing by 10/1/2021. Working with BHA and trying to get the next six jurisdictions on board, not named in the bill.
- In Howard county none of those released have overdosed since we implemented the MAT program. Following individuals for data collection into other communities is a challenge. The Office can look at mechanisms to help with tracking a data collection across jurisdictions.
- Many jurisdictions are going on their own as this specific mandate is a challenge due to logistics of getting certain medications, especially in smaller, more rural jurisdictions.
  Also challenging in central booking where folks are moving in and out very quickly making it impossible to serve them.
- Baltimore County Health, Dr. Branch, got two grants, SAMHSA & SOAR funding MAT and recovery work in detention center but need more and more predictable funding streams.
- First CIT Committee meeting 1/8/21. For the next meeting, bringing in other states for presentations on similar work. The Office will be the central location for documents, certification processes, best practices.
- Performance Incentive Grant Fund
  - Priority Areas

- Populations: women, parents, behavioral health, victims
- Rural communities
- Programming: Evidence Based Practices, Reentry, Speciality Courts, Pretrial
   Services
- o Performance measures reviewed
- Data collection support and making part of allowable expenses. This is a challenge where agencies incur additional costs that would be helpful to address.
- JRA Workgroup updates
  - Expungement
  - o Restitution
- Open Discussion